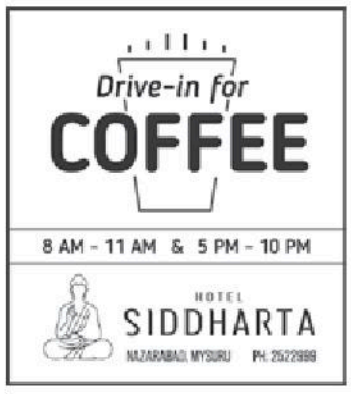

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Mad rush for KHB sites

3,000 applications sold for 122 sites

Mysuru, Sept. 25 (RK&KS)- Braving hot sun, site aspirants stood in long queues to obtain applications at Karnataka Housing Board (KHB) Office in Saraswathipuram and at Bank of Baroda Branch in Vijayanagar to submit applications called by KHB for allotment of 122 residential sites of various dimensions at Kasaba hobli in Kesare village.

For 122 sites, about 3,000 applications were sold at KHB Office till yesterday evening and 900 applications were submitted at Bank of Baroda till last evening.

Today being the last day to obtain and submit applications, huge rush was witnessed at Bank of Baroda to submit applications and social distancing had gone for a toss. Anticipating huge rush later in the day, the Bank officials have opened two additional counters at the Bank to receive applications costing Rs. 100 each.

(See KHB SITES on page 7)

SPB no more

Chennai, Sept. 25- Noted playback singer S.P. Balasubramanyam (SPB) died at a private hospital in Chennai this afternoon following a brief illness. He was 74.

S.P. Charan, son of Balasubramanyam, told media that his father breathed his last at 1.04 pm. He is survived by his wife, a son and a daughter. **(See SPB on page 7)**

Mysuru COVID-19 UPDATE

Figures as per Government Media Bulletin released last evening

Positive cases yesterday	:	481
Total positive cases	:	31,573
Discharges yesterday	:	-
Total discharges	:	26,051
Deaths yesterday	:	-
Total deaths	:	715
Total active cases	:	4,807

STAR OF MYSORE

"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Friday 25th September 2020

Sri Ramakrishna Ashram to host Green Mysuru event tomorrow

Aims to distribute 25,000 tree saplings

Mysuru, Sept. 25 (RK&SD) Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Mysuru, has organised 'Hachha Hasiru Mysuru - Viveka Prabheya Mysuru' programme at Swami Vivekanandaji Auditorium in RK Vidyashala premises, Yadavagiri, tomorrow (Sept. 26) at 3.30 pm.

District In-charge Minister S.T. Somashekar will inaugurate the programme. State BJP Vice-President B.Y. Vijayendra will be the chief guest. President of Sri Ramakrishna Ashram Swami Muktidanandaji will grace the occasion. MLAs S.A. Ramdas, L. Nagendra, MUDA Chairman H.V. Rajeev and Honorary Member of Environmental Management and Policy Research Institute, Bengaluru, Dr. Vinay Kumar will be the special invitees. As part of its Green Mysuru initiative, Sri Ramakrishna Ashram is launching its 'Hachha Hasiru Mysuru' project to distribute over 25,000 tree saplings to individual houses in city free of cost. Tree saplings will be distributed at Sri Ramakrishna Ashram and RK Vidyashala, Yadavagiri; Viveka Memorial, Narayana Shastri Road and Ramakrishna Vidya Kendra in Ramakrishnanagar, every day from 10 am to 12 noon and 3 pm to 5.30 pm, till November, according to a press release.

Award Presentation Ceremony

Mysuru, Sept. 25- Hasiru Bhoomi Trust has organised a programme to confer 'Shikshana Chetana Prashasti' to creative Government School teachers on Sept. 27 at 4 pm at Negilayogi Maruleshwara Seva Bhavan, KG Koppal, Mysuru.

Retired VC of Sanskrit University Dr. Padma Shekar will inaugurate the programme. Writer Prof. K.S. Bhagawan will confer the awards (for the year 2020) to T. Satish Javaregowda, school teacher working in Government Higher Primary School, Mellahalli, Mysuru taluk and T. Lokesh, school teacher working in Government Lower Primary School, Naganahalli, Hunsur.

Director of Oriental Research Institute, Mysuru, Dr. S. Shivarajappa will preside. DCP Dr. A.N. Prakash Gowda and former President of District Kannada Sahitya Parishat Maddikere Gopal will be the chief guests, according to a press release.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

BREATHE EASY: ***With COVID cases surging over the last month, complaints of oxygen shortage in various hospitals have cropped up in States like MP, Punjab, Maharashtra and Assam. Central Government has clarified that India has a surplus production of oxygen. The challenge then is to overcome the logistical hurdles and channelise this national surplus to meet excess demand in hospitals, many of them away from major urban centres and thus possibly under the official radar. A Governmental review has flagged inventory management flaws at the hospital level as a reason for shortages. Following complaints by some State Governments of difficulties faced in sourcing liquid oxygen tankers due to hindrances erected by other States along the supply chain, a "green corridor" has been conceived.***

Medical experts endorse the role played by oxygen support in helping serious patients tide over breathlessness and keeping mortality rates low. Oxygen supply must occupy top priority in inter-Governmental coordination and cooperation. Since the early days of COVID when fears ran high of ventilators in short supply, doctors have come to rely more on oxygen support and drugs like steroids and remdesivir. The rise in medical oxygen demand reaffirms why COVID testing mustn't flag. Artificial caps on testing could lead to situations where serious patients thronging hospitals increase but official counts reflect decreasing COVID numbers. Fresh daily cases are sevenfold now from three months ago, but mortalities are up by only half that rate. This is thanks to improved medical knowhow on treating COVID. Governments must keep the oxygen arsenal well stocked and supplied.

— In The Times of India

NEWS SPARKLERS

A 'Giant Rat' in drain

Mexico: Workers clearing the underground drainage system in Mexico City were shocked to discover a gigantic rat there.

According to reports, crews were working hard to remove 22 tons of litter from the city's sewage tunnels when they came across the huge, life-like 'rat'. Luckily for them it turned out to be a Halloween prop that had ended up underground.

In a now-viral video posted to Facebook, the giant rat can be seen dwarfing the humans around it. A worker can be seen hosing off the incredibly realistic rat sculpture, which shows the rodent in a hunched-over position. Witnesses who saw the incident expressed surprise that such a huge creature had somehow managed to end up in the labyrinth of underground tunnels. Others commented on its naturalistic appearance.

Woman turns self into stunning optical illusions

London: Hannah Grace, a 32-year-old mother from the UK, has been doing makeup illusions for only a couple of years, but she is already one of the most talented artists in the business.

A former chef turned self-taught makeup artist, Hannah got into facial makeup illusions back in 2018, while painting her face for fun. Since then, she has transformed herself into popular cartoon characters, as well as original illusions, some of which are truly stunning to look at.

Although her makeup art started as a hobby, Hannah has managed to turn it into a successful career, at least on social media, where she boasts thousands of loyal fans.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

What can I do to improve my memory?

Memory champion ED Cooke has created a website where he shares tips on how to greatly improve memory. Cooke's website and App, Memrise, has helped 1.4 million users to learn languages, Science and History with greater ease. It includes thousands of memory courses and topics to choose from. Website www.memrise.com

** Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

COVID-19 UPDATE

Mandya

Figures as per Government Media Bulletin released last evening

Positive cases yesterday	:	86
Total positive cases	:	9,691
Total discharges	:	8,192
Total deaths	:	97
Total active cases	:	1,402

Chamarajanagar

Positive cases yesterday	:	17
Total positive cases	:	3,658
Total discharges	:	2,903
Total deaths	:	69
Total active cases	:	675

Kodagu

Positive cases yesterday	:	02
Total positive cases	:	2,368
Total discharges	:	1,957
Total deaths	:	31
Total active cases	:	380

Hassan

Positive cases yesterday	:	407
Total positive cases	:	14,750
Total discharges	:	11,805
Total deaths	:	263
Total active cases	:	2,682

Really...?

- ***Bananas have a curved shape because they reach for the sunlight when they grow.***
- ***When you gain or lose weight, your fat cells don't disappear – they just change their size.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Mintu: *What's the similarity between income tax and a caller tune?*

Chintu: *In both the cases, one pays the money and others enjoy !!*

Today's Currency Rate

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 73.00
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 94.01
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 20.06
1 Euro	= Rs. 86.01

VOICE OF THE READER

Walkers, beware of mobile phone snatchers

Sir,

I was walking near Jaganmayi-Tanmayi Park close to my house in Kuvempunagar on Aug. 26 evening when a person came in the two-wheeler from behind and snatched my mobile phone. I screamed for help but there was no one around. I even tried to chase him but in vain.

So I immediately called the Police, who came to the spot and collected the details. Police said a case has been registered but when I went personally to the Police Station and asked them for the complaint number they kept on dodging me.

Finally I had to insist for an FIR and after a week they registered an FIR.

Now it is almost a month since the incident took place and there is no follow up on the case. I call the Police once in two days only to get a 'no' reply from them.

I am sure they can apprehend the culprit if they access the footages of the CCTVs installed in the surrounding places.

Carrying the phone while on walk is not wrong as people may need it in case of emergency, especially the elderly and people with health issues. As such incidents are on the rise of late, the walkers have to be cautious of mobile-phone snatchers.

—Dr. Padmavathi Narasimhan
Kuvempunagar 25.9.2020

Obituary

Vijaya Ranga

Mysuru, Sept. 25- Vijaya Ranga (66), retired Canara Bank Manager and a patron of art and music, passed away yesterday morning at a private hospital in city. He leaves behind his wife Padmasini, son Shriram, daughter Mridula and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held in city yesterday.

He had served as the Treasurer of Ganabharathi for a couple of terms and was also involved in farming and bird-watching.

The office-bearers of Ganabharathi have condoled the death of Vijaya Ranga.

B.S. Seetharam

B.S. Seetharam (70), retired Officer at New India Assurance and a resident of Chamarajapuram, passed away on Sept. 22 in city.

He leaves behind his wife, one daughter, son-in-law and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were performed on Sept. 23 at Mukthidhama in Vijayanagar.

H. Chandrashekara Rao

H. Chandrashekara Rao (83), retired Health Officer and a resident of Hootagalli, passed away yesterday in city.

He leaves behind his wife R. Padmavathi, daughter C. Veena, sons C. Guruprasad and C. Dinesh, daughters-in-law, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill this morning.

Sannamma

Sannamma, wife of late Boregowda of Kaniyanahundi in H.D. Kote taluk, passed away yesterday afternoon.

She leaves behind three sons including Praja Party Founder-President and Mysuru Bar Association Secretary Shivanna, one daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at the family's farm in Kaniyanahundi this noon.

Vijay A. Raj Purohit

Vijay A. Raj Purohit (66), a resident of Kumbarageri, passed away on Wednesday in city. He leaves behind one son, three daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held in city.

Manavattira S. Muddappa

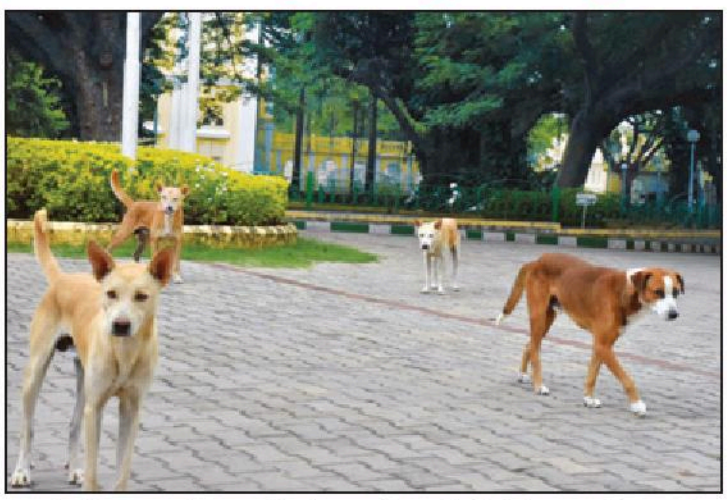
Kushalnagar: Manavattira S. Muddappa (Raja), retired Inspector of the Revenue Department and a resident of Kushalnagar, passed away yesterday night in the town. He was 82. He leaves behind one son, one daughter and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were performed at Kushalnagar today.

Ajjamada Ajit Bopaiah

Ponnampet: Ajjamada Ajit Bopaiah (40), son of Ajjamada Cariappa of Kurchi village in Ponnampet and serving in the Army at Hyderabad, passed away on Sept. 23. Last rites at native village after the arrival of the mortal remains from Hyderabad.

Stray dog menace increasing in city as its population rises

Is sterilisation programme still in place? question public



Mysuru, Sept. 25 (PM&KS)- Stray dog menace is increasing day-by-day in almost all localities in city causing concern for the public, who have questioned whether the sterilisation programme was still going on as the population of stray dogs is increasing too. It is frightening to see pack of dogs on the prowl in most of the thickly populated areas in city and even in localities on city outskirts.

It has become difficult for the residents to go for morning or evening walks even in groups in many areas due to stray dogs. Even when one goes for morning or evening walks in areas like Vijayanagar, Gokulam, Kuvempunagar, Bannimantap and J.P. Nagar among other areas, dogs are seen moving in packs and the walkers have to always be on guard as dogs, sometimes more than ten in number, could attack. Also, if one comes for walks with a pet dog, the stray dogs attack it in packs. As a result, the dog owners feel scared to take their pets out.

Meanwhile, *Star of Mysore* is getting frequent calls from the public regarding dog menace in their areas, fearing for the lives of their children and the aged. Many callers said that earlier they used to see a team of dog catchers, armed with nets, catching stray dogs, taking them in a vehicle and again releasing back in the same place after sterilising them and added that they are not seeing any such things in recent days.

They questioned whether the sterilisation programme undertaken by the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) in association with People For Animals (PFA) was still going on or not.

The public have alleged of stray dogs attacking people and injuring them and there are instances of these strays chasing motorists especially two-wheeler riders, who have fallen down from their bikes and scooters and injuring themselves with a few sustaining serious injuries after losing control of their two-wheelers while trying to escape from them.

It is also a torture for the elderly and infants during night, who are suffering from disturbed sleep due to continuous barking and howling from stray dogs. Parents are not sending their children to play even in front of their houses due to fear of dogs attacking them.

BJP leader R. Raghu Kautilya, speaking to *SOM* said that the menace of stray dogs had indeed increased in city as one could find them moving freely on roads in almost all areas in packs and added that the people are risking their lives while moving around the city.

He further said that the civic body or the concerned Department should take steps to control the menace for which the residents along with the public should exert pressure on the local elected representatives.

Nadaswaram concert by Vid. Rajesh and team tomorrow

Mysuru, Sept. 25- Sri Thyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha will be premiering an online nadaswaram concert by Vidwan N. Rajesh and Vidwan N. Manju on its YouTube channel at 5 pm on Saturday (Sept.26) as part of its weekly online concert series.

Vidwans Rajesh and Manju are promising young talents hailing from Srirangapatna. They are the disciples of senior AIR artistes Vid. H. S. Swamy of Holenarasipura and Vid. Kodiyala K. N. Krishnamurthy.

They have performed in various sabhas and temples across Karnataka and Tamil Nadu and earned the appreciation both from the rasikas and music scholars.

They will be accompanied on thavil by Vid. H. N. Mahadev and on thala by H. M. Sanjay.

Music-lovers are requested to watch the concert by visiting Sabha's YouTube channel at Sri Thyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust and support the young artistes and their weekly online concert series, according to a press release from Vid. H.K. Narasimhamurthy, Hon. Secretary of the Sabha.

EVENTS TODAY (SEPT. 25)

- **JSS Mysore Urban Haat:** Handicrafts Mela, JSS Mysore Urban Haat premises, Outer Ring Road junction, Hebbal, **10 am to 9 pm.**
- **Rajasthan Grameen Mela:** Expo-cum-sale of dress materials, sarees, handicrafts, etc., Jayamma Govindegowda Kalyana Mantapa, Kuvempunagar, **10 am to 9.30 pm.**
- **Mysuru Akashavani:** Re-telecast of 'Belli Beragu - Mysuru Koduge' series, Journalist Ganesh Amingad provides information on Mysuru talents who worked for Cinema, Akashavani 100.6 FM, **5 pm.**
- **Online Memorial Concert:** Vocal recital by Vid. Manasa Nayana in memory of veteran Karnatak Musician and Guru Vid. Lakshmikanth Kadaba, accompanied by Vid. H.N. Bhaskar on violin, Vid. Sai Shivu Lakshmi Keshav on mridanga, **6 30 pm.** [You Tube premiere https://youtu.be/ll06GjR-8oA]

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- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram Mysuru:** 'Hachha Hasiru Mysuru - Viveka Prabheya Mysuru' [Green Mysuru event] programme to distribute over 25,000 tree saplings, District In-charge Minister S.T. Somashekar inaugurates, State BJP Vice-President B.Y. Vijayendra, chief guest, President of Sri Ramakrishna Ashram Swami Muktidanandaji will grace the occasion, MLAs S.A. Ramdas & L. Nagendra, MUDA Chairman H.V. Rajeev and Honorary Member of Environmental Management and Policy Research Institute, Bengaluru, Dr. Vinay Kumar, special invitees, Swami Vivekanandaji Auditorium, RK Vidyashala premises, Yadavagiri, **3.30 pm.**

NEWS BRIEFS

Free coaching for UPSC exams

Karnataka State Brahmins' Development Board, under its Chanakya Administrative Training Scheme, is providing free seven-month online coaching for UPSC exams, for the year 2021. Interested aspirants belonging to Brahmin community can submit their applications through Board's website https://ksbdb.karnataka.gov.in / info-3 / Online + Coaching + or + IAS + and + other + civil + services + exam/kn. Last date to apply is Sept. 30. For details, send e-mail to: coach4ias.ksbdb@karnataka.gov.in according to a release.

PUC admissions at Govt. College

Government Pre-University College, Kalyanagiri, Mysuru (located at Urdu Higher Primary School premises) has invited applications for admission to First and Second PUC for the academic year 2020-21. Admissions are open for both Arts (HESP) and Commerce (EGBA) streams in Kannada and English mediums, according to a press release.

Online Shivanubhava Dasoha lecture

Retired Principal Prof. Chandrashekaraiah will deliver a talk on 'Shivayogi Siddarameshwararu' as part of the monthly Shivanubhava Dasoha lecture series tomorrow at 5 pm through online — http://Youtube.com/JSSMahavidyapeethaonline; https://www.facebook.com/jssonline.org. For more details, call Ph: 0821-2548211 or 2548212, according to a press release.

KRS Water Level

(Maximum : 124.80 feet)

Today	123.55 ft
Yesterday	123.10 ft
Inflow	13,139 cusecs
Outflow	5,817 cusecs

Kabini Level

(Maximum : 2,284.00 feet)

Today	2,283.86 ft
Inflow	5,932 cusecs
Outflow	2,948 cusecs

Harangi Level

(Maximum : 2,859.00 feet)

Today	2,858.72 ft
Inflow	2,585 cusecs
Outflow	1,300 cusecs

Railways undertake regular track maintenance works

The South Western Railway (SWR), Mysuru Division, has taken up its regular maintenance works of Railway tracks for the safety of commuters. Picture shows the staff replacing the damaged and worn out concrete sleepers on Mysuru-Bengaluru route and also checking for damaged fish plates and rail tracks to replace them with new ones yesterday.

With no VVIP visit, Helipad area turns into garbage dump-yard

Mysuru, Sept.25 (PM&SSV)- With no VVIP movement to city, the helipad near Lalitha Mahal Palace Hotel has become a dumping yard for people.

Used plastic bags, water bottles, paper plates and cups are strewn everywhere thus marring the beauty of the place. The Mysuru City Corporation seems to have turned a blind eye to the garbage being dumped just at a stone's throw distance from the helipad. The broken bottle pieces indicated that the bush around the helipad has become a haven for the drunkards to do party after sunset. Tepid smell of the garbage hit the nose of passers-by.

The Civic Body, by this time, should have cleaned the entire area, to host the Kite Festival during Dasara. But as the State Government has decided to celebrate Dasara-2020 in a simple manner, the MCC has shown negligence to clean the area. The tree guards around the helipad sponsored by Raghulal & Co. to provide protection to the saplings planted in association with Forest Department, are stuck by used plastic bags.

The concerned residents of the surrounding areas have demanded the MCC to clean the entire area as it has become a black spot.

Miscreants dump all kinds of garbage including torn beds and pillows during night. Even youths use the helipad to host booze party. The MCC should fence the whole area and ban the entry of people into the helipad area, the residents felt.

Hope the MCC will clean up the helipad area soon as the VVIPs are expected to arrive for the coming Dasara festival.

Wear face masks or pay Rs. 200 fine

District Administration intensifies 'mask drive' in the wake of rise in Corona positive cases

Mysuru, Sept. 25 (YDS&SSV)- Exuding confidence to check the spiralling growth of Corona cases in Mysuru City and District, Deputy Commissioner B. Sharat said a drive against non-wearing of face masks will be intensified and impose a spot fine of Rs. 200.

Addressing a news conference here yesterday, the DC expressed his concern over the rise in Corona positive cases both in the city and district and said steps are being initiated to check the cases as well as casualty. As a first step towards this, wearing of face mask in public places is compulsory and violation of this rule will attract a fine of Rs. 200.

So far, throughout the district, 4,675 cases were registered for not wearing face mask and collected a fine of Rs. 7,84,900. The fine amount is Rs. 200 in Mysuru City and Rs. 100 in rural areas.

Explaining the importance of wearing mask, Sharat said World Health Organisation (WHO) has recommended wearing the mask to check the spreading of pandemic. No one should move in public places or attend function without wearing mask. It has come to his notice regarding non-reporting of Influenza-Like Illness (ILI) and Severe Acute Respiratory Infection (SARI) cases in the district. Private hospitals which examine persons with those symptoms must share information with the District Administration. Those persons should be compulsorily subjected to testing.

Sharat said the District Administration has re-started strict measures to check the pandemic and it was expected to come under control within a month. The asymptomatic people must voluntarily undergo necessary test. There is a need to increase RT-PCR or Rapid Antigen Test throughout the district. Till now, the Corona test was held during morning and henceforth, it will be held in the afternoon too. "Intensity of COVID-19 could be reduced only through early detection. Persons with diabetes, blood pressure, and other diseases, are becoming casualties. To check this, survey work is underway by health workers who visit every house and collect information on the current situation. This will help to detect suspected and positive cases," he said.

He said COVID Care Centres were opened in Taluks and the oxygen facility will be extended to those centres in the coming days. With the help of Indian Medical Association (IMA), a trauma centre with 82 beds will be opened soon. Strict action will be taken against those who attack the medicos on duty. Most of the Corona-related deaths are happening due to taking patients to the hospital in last minute. To save lives, the citizens must co-operate with the District Administration by providing correct information to health workers when they come to your doorstep to collect details, he added.

Test mandatory

Zilla Panchayat Chief Executive Officer D. Bharathi said people need not be scared that the Corona positive patients will be isolated and admitted to COVID Hospitals. Provision has been made for those patients to take treatment at their homes also.

Teachers, as part of 'Vidyagama', are visiting house-to-house to teach students. Along with teachers, others working in various Departments and members of Sthree Shakthi Groups must undergo Corona test. Earlier, the COVID testing centres were located in taluk headquarters but now it is shifted to Gram Panchayats and hoblis in the wake of spreading of pandemic in rural areas, she said.

MCC Commissioner Gurudatta Hegde was present at the meet.

Impose fine to create awareness

"Our intention is not to impose fine on people for not wearing face mask. But now it has become necessary in the wake of sharp increase in Corona positive cases due to people moving in public places without mask. We need to fine such people so that they are awakened. Need of the hour is to check the pandemic at any cost. Some people are sharing information on social media saying that Corona test is not required and stay at home and drink *kashaya*. The tests are necessary to check the spreading of Corona and deaths."

— C.B. Ryshyanth, Superintendent of Police

FIR, if health workers are attacked

"Health workers are going on rounds risking their lives. Sometimes they cannot come back in time. People must co-operate but not assault them. If miscreants attack health workers, FIR will be filed and their names will be added to rowdy list. Citizens must undergo test not only when they come into contact with the positive patients but also otherwise. The second round of Corona test will be conducted for all Police staff and their family members. Unfortunately, people are not following guidelines. Owners of malls and shops will be made to pay fine if they allow people without mask to enter their premises."

—Dr.Chandragupta, City Police Commissioner

Hanur's Sulwadi Maramma temple to re-open from Oct.20

Hanur, Sept. 25 (Somu)- Nearly two years after Sulwadi Maramma temple (Kichguth Maramma temple) in Hanur taluk of Chamarajanagar district was shut down following the infamous food poisoning case in which at least 17 people lost their lives and over a hundred people took ill, the temple will re-open for devotees from Oct.20.

Replying to a question by Hanur MLA R.Narendra in the ongoing Legislature Session at Bengaluru on Wednesday, Muzrai Minister Kota Srinivas Poojari said that the temple was closed after the food poisoning tragedy that took place in Dec.2018.

Pointing out that Muzrai Department officials have inspected the temple and submitted a report on the conduct of rituals, Poojari said that based on the report, the Department will be taking measures for conduct of rituals and re-opening the temple for devotees from Oct.20, 2020.

It may be recalled here that on the fateful day of Dec.14, 2018, 17 devotees who consumed poisoned 'Prasadam' offered at Sulwadi temple died while over a hundred other devotees fell ill and were treated at various Hospitals, including the ones in Mysuru city.

Four people were arrested in connection with the case, who included Junior Seer of Salur Mutt Immadi Mahadevaswamy, Temple Manager Madesha, his wife Ambika and Temple Priest Doddaiah. All the four are in Jail and the case is being heard in the Court.

New Bill allows women to work in night shift at Malls, Bars, Clubs

Bengaluru, Sept. 25 (SSV)- The State Government has permitted women to work in night shifts, if they wish. Thanks to passing of Karnataka Shops and Business Establishments (Amendment) Bill 2020 in the State Legislative Council, working of women in night shift is now allowed.

The Bill will become legislation once the Governor Vajubhai R. Vala gives his assent, after it was passed unanimously in both the Houses.

Tabling the Bill in the Legislative Council on Wednesday, Labour Minister Shivaram Hebbar said already, women are working in night shifts in IT and BT companies. Now, they are allowed to work in other places of their choice and it was mandatory for the companies concerned to ensure the safety and security of women employees.

"It is left to her choice. She can work anywhere with the consent of her family." He said the Bill is brought in the interest of safety of women. Now they can work in Bars, Clubs and Malls.

Salient features of the Bill

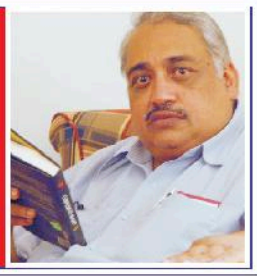
1. Provide free transport from house to workplace and back with full safety and security
2. Installation of GPS mandatory to monitor movement of vehicle
3. Deploy additional security personnel at workplace for women employees
4. Provide sufficient number of rest-rooms for women
5. Provide safety cupboards
6. Stock emergency medicines
7. Companies must bear the cost of running crèche
8. Surprise inspection of vehicles and drivers
9. Cancellation of trade licence of companies that fail to follow rules

Legislative Council members, Tejaswini Gowda, Ayanur Manjunath, Appajigowda, P.R. Ramesh, Marithibbegowda, B.K. Hariprasad, U.B. Venkatesh and Bharathi Shetty spoke on the Bill.

No meat sale on Oct. 2

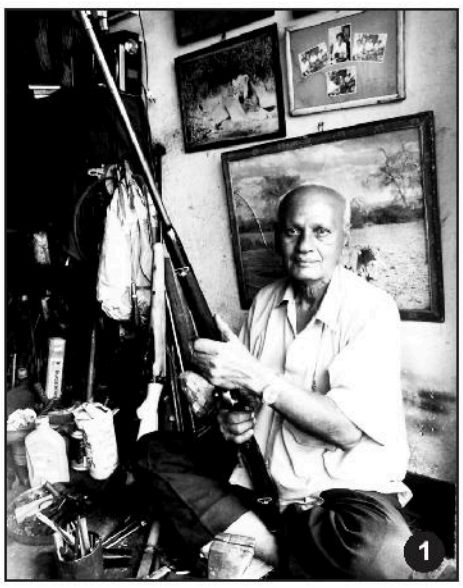
Mysuru, Sept. 25- On account of Gandhi Jayanti, all slaughter houses and meat shops coming under the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) limits will remain closed on Oct. 2. As such, there will be no sale of meat on that day, according to a press release from the MCC Veterinary Officer.

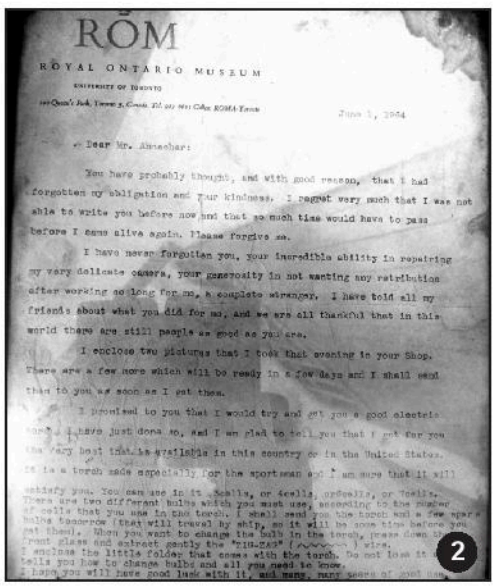
Over a cup of evening Tea



By Dr. K. Javeed Nayeem, MD

Of Good Old Guns and Gunsmiths !





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Dear Mr. Annachar:

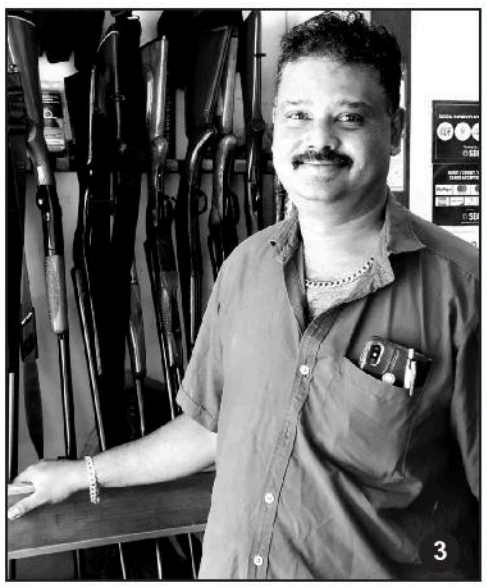
You have probably thought, and with good reason, that I had forgotten my obligation and your kindness. I regret very much that I was not able to write you before now and that so much time would have to pass before I came alive again. Please forgive me.

I have never forgotten you, your incredible ability in repairing my very delicate camera, your generosity in not wanting any retribution after working so long for me, a complete stranger. I have told all my friends about what you did for me, and we are all thankful that in this world there are still people as good as you are.

I enclose two pictures that I took that evening in your Shop. There are a few more which will be ready in a few days and I shall send them to you as soon as I get them.

I promised to you that I would try and get you a good electric torch. I have just done so, and I am glad to tell you that I got for you the very best that is available in this country or in the United States. It is a torch made especially for the sportsman and I am sure that it will satisfy you. You can use in it 2cells, or 4cells, or 6cells. There are two different bulbs which you must use, according to the number of cells that you use in the torch. I shall send you the torch and a few spare bulbs tomorrow (that will travel by ship, so it will be some time before you get them). When you want to change the bulb in the torch, press down the front glass and extract gently the "BIG-CAP" (~~~~) wire. I enclose the little folder that comes with the torch. Do not lose it. It tells you how to change bulbs and all you need to know.

I hope you will have good luck with it, and many, many years of good use.



Pic. 1: **Keshava in his shop.** Pic. 2: **The letter from the curator of the Royal Ontario Museum.** Pic. 3: **Krishnarajendra, the sharpshooter and gunsmith.**

In his column *Nostalgically Speaking,* on the 13th September, **KBG** has written about **S.G. Sanath Kumar,** the former Head Master of the **Hardwicke High School** who was also a gun lover and shikar enthusiast of the yesteryears. Among many other things, KBG has also mentioned at the end of his article, how when he once wanted to get his gun repaired, Sanath Kumar with his knowledge of guns, had directed him to a gun repairer, **Annachari** on Irwin Road. Being a gun lover myself, albeit without being a hunter, I thought I should write about the gunsmiths in our city whom I have known.

The Annachari that we are talking about here is actually the late **D. Keshava** who passed away about three years ago. He was known even to most people who knew him well, only as **Annachar** although the real Annachar was his father who passed away in the year 1977. This father and son duo who were then the only gunsmiths in Mysore during their time, had their tiny shop called **Annachar Gun Repairers** on Irwin Road in the Kalamma Temple building and to me this was the most interesting shop that I would always peep into, every time I happened to pass that way ever since I was a little kid.

Annachar and his son Keshava used to sit bowed over their work on either side of their workplace and they used to have an array of guns of different kinds, hanging upside down on all their three walls which looked very fascinating to me. Even now, any gun shop anywhere, has the power to stop me in my tracks!

Yes, my interest in guns is not acquired. It has grown up with me right from my childhood simply because ours was a family of coffee planters hailing from Chikmagalur and guns were an ordinary part of our lives like our other household things like pots and pans. **Even to this day, this tradition continues in almost all plantation households and most planters are not considered real planters unless they also hold a gun licence and at least one gun in addition to holding on to their estates!**

Although I had grown up playing with airguns, I acquired my first real gun when my father transferred his favourite and long serving double barrelled gun to me in the year 1979 when I was a final year medical student. **Understandably, it was one of my proudest moments which I still remember to this day. That was the day I was allowed to march into the Deputy Commissioner's Office at Chikmagalur with my gun so that it could be inspected and its particulars entered into my brand new gun licence!** That was an act of initiation into adulthood, performed only after I had acquired enough responsibility and the requisite skills in safely handling guns with many years of training under my father's watchful eye.

My five year stint in the NCC was an added qualification that I could boast of then and my NCC certificates made my quest for a gun licence much easier for me. After I became a licenced gun owner residing in Mysore, almost all my relatives who needed their guns to be repaired used to turn to me for assistance. They would leave their guns at the Annachar gun shop and entrust me with the responsibility of following up the progress of the work, a job that I would only love to do even uninvited! I would never go past that shop without stepping in to see what good old Keshava was doing, sitting cross-legged on a tattered reed mat. Very soon into our association he realised that apart from my interest in guns I was also an ardent admirer of his capabilities as a craftsman in his field. **Yes, any relationship that is born between the admirer and the admired is understandably always very strong and long lasting!** This realisation cemented a strong bond between us too and if I failed to see him for a few days he would always greet me with a broad grin and his standard lament: ***"Yen sir, yesht divasa aaithu neevu eekadey bandu, nammanu marthe bittideeri hogi neevu!"*** (What Sir, how many days have passed since you came this way! It's sad that you seem to have forgotten me!).

Thankfully since his shop was bang on my way to my place of learning while I was doing my MD, these occasions for him to complain like this used to be quite rare. Spending a few moments with him used to be some of my most relaxing stops because we would talk of everything under the sun that was even remotely related to guns and the great hunters of yore that Mysore had seen in its hoary past. He was great storyteller and he had some very interesting tales in his repertoire of shikar tales. Displayed just behind his humble seat were a few faded, black and white photos of these long gone souls with their great guns and the animals they had hunted and most notably a letter of appreciation from **Ario Gatti,** the then curator of the **Royal Ontario Museum,** dated June, 1, 1964 addressed to his father. The gentleman had written to thank him for the ability with which he had repaired his sophisticated movie camera when it had broken down while he was filming wild animals in the **Bandipur** forest.

He goes on to say in his very sentimentally worded letter that his help to a complete stranger, without accepting any charges whatsoever, would be remembered forever. He has written that as a token of gratitude he was sending him a very durable sportsman's torch as a gift! **This being not enough, in the very same letter he has written detailed instructions on how to change its light bulb with a hand drawn picture of the delicate spring that should not be lost, without which his priceless gift would become completely useless!** This gentleman had come from Canada to Mysore as a guest of the Van Ingen brothers who were the Maharaja's taxidermists with international fame.

Keshava too like his father was a very capable worker, extremely good at restoring some of the most sophisticated guns that came to him for repair and getting them back in working order even when hopelessly broken down. Since spare parts for guns are usually not available he invariably used to fabricate them himself, using very simple hand-made tools which too he would himself make! Now that he is gone my guns and I miss him very dearly.

His young son **K. Raghavendra** whom everyone knows only as **Raghu** is also a capable gunsmith having learnt the difficult art from his late father. But he is not in the trade because he has not got his gun repairing licence yet although he is in the process of acquiring one.

There is one other gunsmith, **Krishnarajendra** in our city. He is also a licenced arms and ammunition dealer and he has his shop ***The Mysore Armoury*** on K.T. Street. Starting off as a very capable competition shooter who has won many trophies at many events, Krishna is a self taught gunsmith. He began to tinker with his own guns to keep them shooting and about twenty years ago he became a licensed gunsmith and there has been no looking back since then. He has his regular clientele of customers who come to him from far and wide especially from the gun-owning hinterlands of Kodagu, Chamarajanagar and H.D. Kote. He is known to be particularly adept at the rare ability of making the fine precision adjustments to the sights and triggers of competition rifles and many people approach him for this help.

The trigger of his own .22 rifle is so delicately tuned that it can be fired with just a feather touch that does not disturb its aim even slightly. **This has made his otherwise ordinary, low cost Indian rifle an extraordinary performer that has won him many prizes even while pitched against many shooters having high prized imported competition rifles!**

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Highway Blockade: Police take protesting farmers into custody

Mysuru, Sept. 25 (MTY&DM)- Vehicular movement on the ever-busy Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway was disrupted for a few minutes this morning as farmers under the banner of *Raitha-Dalita-Karmika Aikya Horata Samiti* and a host of other farmer, labour and social organisations blocked the highway by forming a human chain at Columbia Asia Hospital junction as part of their 'State and National Highways' blockade stir. The stir was called today in protest against the recent amendments to Land Reforms, APMC and Labour Acts.

As part of the stir, more than 100 farmers carrying drums, a percussion instrument, converged at Colombia Asia Hospital junction and attempted to block the highway junction where four important roads (Ring Road towards Hunsur, Ring road towards Bannur, Mysuru road and Bengaluru road) intersect. But as the farmers did not have the necessary Police permission, the Police tried to stop them from carrying out road blockade, which led to a tense situation, with the protesting farmers entering into a verbal duel with the Police. DCP Dr. A.N. Prakash Gowda arrived at the spot and diffused the situation by convincing the farmers that they had no permission for staging protest. However, the farmers managed to form a human chain blocking the highway at for a few minutes, when they were taken into custody by the Police and sent to the CAR Ground in two KSRTC buses. The farmers will be let away later today.

Meanwhile, barring Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway, the much announced road blockade did not take place on any other highways as the Police, who were deployed in large numbers at important junctions had taken measures for thwarting road blockades, it is learnt.

Congress MLA Narayanrao passes away

Bengaluru, Sept. 25- Congress MLA from Basavakalyan in Bidar District B. Narayanrao (65), passed away at a private Hospital in Bengaluru yesterday following brief illness.

Narayanrao's demise comes just a day after Union Minister of State for Railways Suresh Angadi, a BJP MP from Belagavi in Karnataka passed away in New Delhi on Wednesday. Only on last Thursday (Sept.17), BJP Rajya Sabha MP from Karnataka Ashok Gasti died after a brief illness at a Bengaluru Hospital. Gasti was nominated to the RS only in June this year and had taken oath just a few weeks ago.

Narayanrao thus becomes the third top peoples' representative from the State to pass away in a week.

Obituary

Abdul Ghaffar

Mysuru, Sept. 25- Abdul Ghaffar (74), a senior Congress minority leader and a resident of Subashnagar, passed away this morning at a private hospital in city, following cardiac arrest.

He leaves behind three daughters, one son, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Namaz-e-Janaza was held at Masjid Mayraj at Subashnagar today followed by the burial at the Muslim Burial Grounds, near Tipu Circle, according to sources.

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Mad rush for KHB sites

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While KHB Engineer Chirag was supervising at Bank of Baroda, another Engineer Lawrence was supervising at KHB Office.

It may be recalled that the KHB had issued a notification in this regard on Aug. 26 and had stated that the layouts have been well-developed with all amenities. It is a joint venture by KHB and MRPL Vedapuram at Survey numbers 278/1, 278/2, 279/2, 280/2, 281/1, 281/3, 282/1 and 282/2. The sites are located in old Kesare, next to Rajivnagar Third Stage.

Many of the sites have already been allotted and 122 sites are remaining to be allotted, stated the notification which mentioned that the last date for submitting documents is Sept. 25.

The sites are a combination of 38 6X9-metre EWS, 41 9X12-metre LIG, 42 12X18-metre HIG-I and one 15X24 metre HIG-II. There are separate registration fee for different dimensions of sites. For the EWS sites, the initial deposit that has to be paid is Rs. 25,000, for LIG it is Rs. 50,000, for HIG-I it has been fixed at Rs. 1 lakh and for HIG-II, the initial deposit is Rs. 1,25,000.

SPB no more

(Continued from page 1)

A multi-faced personality, Balasubramanyam, known as Balu or SPB in music industry, was a multilingual playback singer. He had recorded over 40,000 songs in 16 Indian languages. SPB had held the Guinness World Record for recording the highest number of songs by a singer with over 40,000 songs. Besides, he had acted in a number of movies.

He started his career as a playback singer in 1966 and was active till recently. Last month, he developed health complications and admitted to hospital where he breathed his last. SPB is a recipient of *Padma Shri* in 2001 and *Padma Bhushan* in 2011 from the Government of India. Besides, he had won a number of national awards.

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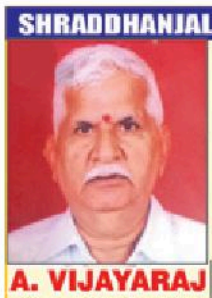

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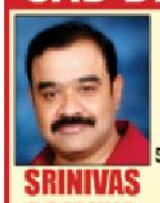

SRINIVAS RAJANNA
DOB:02.12.1972
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We are deeply grieved to inform you the sad demise of our son SRINIVAS RAJANNA on Thursday, 24/09/2020. May his soul rest in peace.

— Dr.L.Rajanna, Gayathri Rajanna, Dr.Kusum Srinivas, Madhuri Srinivas, family and friends.

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Mourned by: Family Members

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Plea to clear garbage dumped at Gokulam

A large quantity of household and other garbage dumped outside the garbage bin near Gokulam Burial Grounds is getting scattered due to small velocity wind and is causing a lot of problems to the public. Also, foul smell is emanating from the garbage, forcing passersby to cover their nose. Authorities concerned are urged to get the garbage cleared at the earliest.

Damaged water pipe needs to be repaired at Hamsa Layout

Precious drinking water is going waste from a damaged drinking water supply pipe at Hamsa Layout, next to Preethi Layout in Srirampura since many days. Also, the road is not asphalted and the water leaking from the damaged pipe gets stagnant on the road forming slush. The residents have urged the authorities concerned to get the damaged pipe repaired at the earliest and prevent drinking water from going waste.

District Secretary calls for conducting more and faster COVID-19 test

Mysuru, Sept. 25 (RK&DM)- Mysuru District in-Charge Secretary N. Jayaram has asked the officials to conduct more and faster COVID-19 tests in the district.

He was speaking at COVID-19 care progress review meeting with District level officials at ZP hall here on Wednesday.

Pointing out that conducting a larger number of COVID-19 tests will help in the timely treatment of the infected, Jayaram said this will also help in checking the spread of the deadly pandemic. As such, it is important for conducting tests involving a larger population, he said.

Noting that it is less likely that asymptomatic persons visit Primary Health Centres for medical check-ups, he said that in such a situation, medical teams will have to carry out tests at public joints such as markets, business places and industrial areas, travelling in mobile testing units.

Stating that it has come to be known that there are several D-Group post vacancies in COVID Hospitals, Jayaram instructed the officials to immediately recruit experienced candidates through outsourcing.

Referring to flood relief, Jayaram said that concerned officials must carry out a survey of flood affected areas and take measures for providing relief to farmers who have lost crops.

Stressing on the need for effective implementation of Government schemes and initiatives, he said it is important to ensure that farm equipment subsidy and other loan facilities provided by the Agriculture Department, reach the doorsteps of the targeted beneficiaries.

Expressing concern over child marriages that have taken place during lockdown period, he directed officials to get alerts from Anganwadi workers and local Gram Panchayat members about such marriages and take early measures for stopping such marriages much before they are due to take place.

Deputy Commissioner B. Sharat, Zilla Panchayat (ZP) Chief Executive Officer (CEO) D. Bharati, Additional SP Shivakumar, MCC Commissioner Gurudatta Hegde, ADC B.S. Manjunathaswamy and other officials were present.

COVID-19: DC asks Private Hospitals to reserve 50 percent beds

Mysuru, Sept. 25- With the district recording rising number of COVID-19 positive cases, Deputy Commissioner B. Sharat has asked private hospitals to reserve 50 percent of their beds for COVID care.

In a press release, Sharat said that all private hospitals have been asked to classify Wards like General Ward, Oxygen Ward, HDU Ward and ICU Ward. Also, it is mandatory for every hospital to reserve 50 percent of their beds for COVID-19 treatment under ABRK Scheme.

He also directed for getting hands-on training in operating Bed Facility Application Allotment India Council Portal and to know the password and log in credentials regarding USRID scheme.

The DC further said that all private hospitals are required to upload reports on SARI (Severe Acute Respiratory Illness) and ILI (Influenza like illness) cases on the portal *http://kpme.karnataka.tech/index.php/admin/patients*

Warning the private hospitals against collection of excessive fees for tests, the DC warned of legal action against such hospitals found charging exorbitant fees.

The DC also said that Speciality Hospitals which find it difficult to admit General COVID-19 patients, can be transformed into Speciality COVID-19 Centres.

The general public can get information about the number of beds available for COVID-19 treatment by getting linked to: *http://mysore.nic.in/en/covid19info;* For details, call: 0821-2529205 or Toll Free No.1077, the release said.

Aids distributed to differently abled

Mysuru, Sept. 25- District Centre for Rehabilitation of Differently Abled Persons, in association with Indian Red Cross Society and Department for the Empowerment of Differently Abled, had recently organised a camp and distributed aids and appliances to differently abled persons.

Since 2011, with grants received from the Department for the Empowerment of Differently abled and Senior Citizens, Mysuru division of Indian Red Cross Society is managing the District Centre for Rehabilitation of Differently Abled Persons.

District Managing Committee, which has been constituted and chaired by Deputy Commissioner (DC), is closely monitoring and implementing the scheme earmarked for District Welfare Centre for Differently Abled persons.

In an effort to bring differently abled persons to the mainstream of the society, the Centre has taken up various rehabilitation programmes including medical, educational and social services. Since 2011, the Centre has identified considerable number of differently abled persons and has distributed aids and appliances to them.

District Differently Abled Welfare Officer Malini, Rehab Centre Nodal Officer Arjun, Rehab Centre experts and other employees of Rural Rehab Centre, Mysuru taluk, were present during the camp, according to a release.

Abhimanyu team ready for Dasara

By M.T. Yogesh Kumar

Howdah elephant Abhimanyu at Mathigodu Elephant Camp.

Mysuru, Sept. 25- The team of five elephants, led by Golden Howdah-bearer 53-year-old Abhimanyu from Mathigodu Elephant Camp, is all set for this year's simple Dasara celebrations.

The grand Dasara procession *(Jumboo Savari)*, which was the cynosure of all eyes every year, will be limited only to Mysore Palace this year due to COVID-19 pandemic.

As of now, the five Dasara elephants — Abhimanyu, Kaveri, Vijaya, Vikrama and Gopi — are being readied at their respective camps and special nutritional diet is already being provided to them and weight training and other exercises have commenced for Abhimanyu. As the State Government has decided to celebrate Dasara in a simple manner this year, there would be no grand 'Gajapayana' ceremony this time and the elephants would be transported to Mysuru in trucks.

The five elephants would arrive first to Aranya Bhavan at Ashokapuram on Oct. 1 and would enter Mysore Palace on Oct. 2. These elephants would be taken in trucks to the Palace and would not be marched to the Palace as being done earlier to prevent crowd assembly. Here is a brief introduction of the five Dasara elephants, which are taking part in this year's Dasara.

Abhimanyu: This Dasara, the responsibility of carrying the 750-kg Golden Howdah *(Ambari)* with the idol of Goddess Chamundeshwari placed inside it, is on Abhimanyu, the 53-year-old fearless Combing Operation Specialist, who is housed in Mathigodu Elephant Camp.

Abhimanyu, who has shown no fear, while capturing rogue elephants in the State and also at Maharashtra, Kerala and Andhra Pradesh, has also successfully participated in combing operations to capture tigers and also to drive wild animals back to forests.

Abhimanyu is 2.68 mts. tall, 3.51 mts. in length and weighs about 4,870 kg. He was captured at Hebbala Forest area in Kodagu in 1977. Abhimanyu never allows anyone to venture near it except for his Mahout J.S. Vasanth and Kavadi Raju. He is taking part in Dasara festivities since 18 years by pulling the Police Band carriage during *Jumboo Savari*. Though pulling of the carriage has been stopped since four years, Abhimanyu continued to take part in the procession, drawing the attention of all for its majestic walk. Its microchip number is 00063DEE73.

Kaveri: The 41-year-old 'Kumki' elephant has successfully taken part in the *Jumboo Savari* by moving next to Balarama, who used to carry the Golden Howdah earlier, will be participating for the seventh time this year.

Kaveri is 2.50 mts. tall, 3.32 mts. long and weighs about 2,820 kg. She was captured in 2009 Adinadur Forest area near Somwarpet in Kodagu and is now housed in Dubare Elephant Camp under the care of Mahout J.K. Dobi and Kavadi Raghu. Her microchip number is 00063DC290.

Vijaya: 61-year-old Vijaya was captured in 1963 at Dubare Forest area and has participated in Dasara since nine years. She is 2.29 mts. tall, 3 mts. long and weighs about 2,770 kg. Kaveri, who is mild natured and well-behaved, is housed in Anekadu Elephant Camp and is taken care by Mahout Bojappa and Kavadi Annaiah Doreyappan. Her microchip number is 00063DF26D.

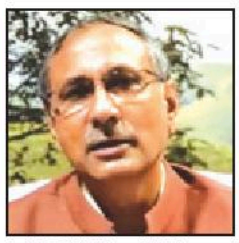
Vikrama: Captured at Doddabetta Forest area in 1990, Vikrama, who is 46-years-old, has an experience of participating in Dasara for 13 times. He was elevated as 'Pattada Aane' three years back after the then 'Pattada Aane' Gajendra created ruckus as it was in *musth*. Vikrama is 2.60 mts. tall, 3.43 mts. long and weighs about 3,820 kg. He is housed in Anekadu Elephant Camp and is under the care of Mahout Rajamani and Kavadi Hemanth Kumar. His microchip number is 00063DE2F7.

Gopi: 37-year-old Gopi is participating in Dasara for the seventh time. He was captured in 1993 at Karekoppa Forest area and is now housed in Dubare Elephant Camp under the care of Mahout Sari and Kavadi Appaiah. He is 2.92 mts. tall, 3.42 mts. long and weighs about 3,710 kg. His microchip number is 000643587E.

Webinar series on Dasara elephants launched

Available on Zoom app every evening at 5.30 till Oct. 2

CCF Manoj Kumar



PCCF Ajay Mishra

Retd. Principal S. Sudha

Mysuru, Sept. 25 (MTY&KS)- Those who are missing Dasara elephants this time, can see them online for which the Forest Department, along with Asian Elephant Support (AES) organisation, have come out with a series of webinars titled 'Mysuru Dasara Aanegalu.'

The series of ten webinars was launched as part of Wildlife Week on Wednesday by Chamarajanagar Circle Chief Conservator of Forests (CCF) Manoj Kumar, which would be telecast on Zoom App every day at 5.30 pm till Oct. 2. Speaking on the occasion, CCF Manoj Kumar said that Mysureans used to be in festive mood during Dasara and a huge crowd used to gather to watch Dasara elephants.

Not only the crowd used to gather during 'Jumboo Savari,' but used to gather in large numbers even to watch the training being given to the elephants to familiarise them with the 'Jumboo Savari' route and also at Palace premises where these Dasara elephants were housed, he added.

Continuing, the CCF said that this year many would miss the 'Jumboo Savari' due to COVID-19 pandemic and hence, the Forest Department to facilitate students and the public to know more about the elephants and also for educational purpose has organised this unique webinar.

Earlier, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (PCCF) Ajay Mishra, who is also the Chief Wildlife Warden, spoke and said that as Dasara is being celebrated in a simple manner, many will miss to witness the majestic walk of the elephants. He further said that assembly of large crowd in a single place is banned as per COVID guidelines and added that those who are disappointed thinking that they cannot see the elephants can participate in this webinar series and know more about these gentle giants.

Ajay Mishra said that every series would have a quiz and the winners would be awarded with cash prizes, which would be presented during the valedictory of the Wildlife Week. Maharani's Science College retired Principal S. Sudha spoke about *Khedda* operation and also provided information on scientific names of elephants and also about the traditional Mysuru Dasara.

Webinar Convenor Dr. Mamatha Sathyanarayan, who also spoke, said that the webinar would be held till Oct. 2 and added that the webinar is being held to provide various information on Howdah elephant, elephants participating in this year's Dasara, Combing Specialist Abhimanyu, who is the Howdah carrier this year, Khedda operation, the importance of 'Gajapayana' and other topics.

JC Wadiyar's favourite jumbo

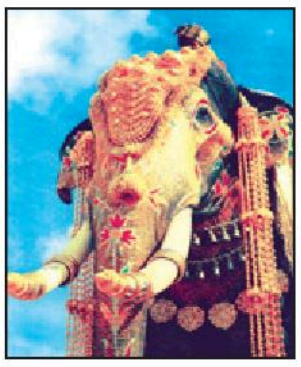
Yaduveer Wadiyar

Mysuru, Sept. 25 (MTY&KS)- On the second day of the webinar series yesterday evening, titular head of the Mysore-Royal Family Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar spoke about Dasara celebrations by the royal family, elephants which had participated in Dasara and also about the favourite elephants of the erstwhile Kings.

He said that Biligiriranga, who had carried the Golden Howdah then, was the favourite elephant of Sri Jayachamaraja Wadiyar and added that it was for the last time that a king went in a procession, sitting inside the Golden Howdah. He also said that elephant Chamundi Prasad had carried three kings seated inside the Golden Howdah.

Continuing, he said that Biligiriranga was 12 ft. tall and was captured in Kakanakote Forest, which was followed by Airavatha, who stood at 11 ft. and added that two elephants Murthy Prasad (11 ft.) and Gajendra (11.4 ft.), were the only two elephants from outside Karnataka, which were brought from Bihar. Another elephant Hamsaraj, was used during *Gajapuja*.

Yaduveer said that after the death of Chamundi Prasad,



***Biligiriranga** [file photo]*

elephants Rajendra and Drona had successfully carried the Golden Howdah during *Jumboo Savari* and added that Drona was named after Dronacharya, as he had the ability to learn fast and guide other elephants.

The uniqueness about Drona was that it used to twitch its muscles and correct the position of the Golden Howdah, in case the howdah tilted, Yaduveer said and added that Drona was electrocuted during grazing besides stating that a State mourning was observed to mourn its death.

Later, Balarama carried the Golden Howdah, followed by Arjuna during 2012-19 and now the responsibility of carrying the Golden Howdah has been given to Abhimanyu, who too will successfully fulfil the responsibility given to it, Yaduveer said.

Those who wish to join the webinar may log on to the link https://tinyurl.com/y3ml394a

WORD OF THE DAY

Fountainhead

Pronunciation: FOUN-tun-hed.
Meaning: A spring that is the source of a stream; principal source : origin.
Origin: When it first entered English in the late 16th century, fountainhead was used only in a literal sense — to refer to the source of a stream. By the 17th century, however, it was already beginning to be used figuratively in reference to any original or primary source. In his 1854 work Walden, Henry David Thoreau used the word in its figurative sense, while paying full homage to its literal meaning as well: "Morning air! If men will not drink of this at the fountainhead of the day, why, then, we must even bottle up some and sell it in the shops, for the benefit of those who have lost their subscription ticket to morning time in this world."
Example: "For all that Paradise Valley represents as a fountainhead of visual awe, the living is not easy for those who steward its most coveted, valuable and threatened asset—its open space, [Whitney Tilt] asserts." — Todd Wilkinson

THE ODD WORD

Fain

Happy; inclined; pleased.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Fool's Gold

Meaning: Iron pyrite is a mineral that bears a resemblance to gold, but in terms of value, it does not compare. Some people have even been fooled by it because they thought it was actual gold, hence it has been given the nickname "fool's gold."
Origin: Let's look at what happened to an English seaman named Martin Frobisher.
During the second half of the 16th century, Martin Frobisher made three trips to Canada. It was on his second trip that he found a mineral that he mistook as gold. He carried hundreds of tons of it back home with him on three ships and made a fine profit from it. Later, Frobisher returned to Canada, this time he had several additional ships accompanying him. He wanted to mine more of this "gold" and bring it back with him, and that's what he did. However, it was eventually figured out that this wasn't gold at all! It was actually iron pyrite, a worthless (in terms of value) mineral.
Anyways, one of the earliest examples this phrase in print is from the year 1872. For example, in the newspaper *Indiana Progress,* in an article titled "Fool's Gold and How we may Know it," it reads:
"There are several minerals which are sometimes mistaken for gold, but the two which are most apt to give rise to deception in this matter are pyrites and mica, and hence they are sometimes called fool's gold."

QUOTE BOX

It's health that is real wealth, not pieces of gold and silver.

— Mahatma Gandhi

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

Answer: Life begins at 40!

SUDOKU

9			4					8
				9	8	7		
	8	1		5		3		
	6							5
	5	2				1	6	
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Answer to previous puzzle

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 Equal or identical?
5 Panaji locale
8 Ridge over the eyes
12 Open to choice; optional
13 Leash for a hawk
14 And others, in Latin (2,2)
15 Aromatic and flavoursome oil
17 Indian rice dish
19 Standard
20 Devilish ones
22 Uncanny; inspiring fear
26 Wounding remarks
29 ___ for : is a substitute for?
30 ___ hat : modern soldier's helmet?
31 Academy award
33 Busy little creature
34 A type of machine gun?
36 Sepals collectively
38 Headless wooden or metal pin used as a fastener
40 "B" in N.B.?
41 Whipping mark
43 Accuses or identifies
47 Relating to a choice of one of two possible courses (6-2)
51 An empty space
52 South Pacific boat
53 Capital of Australia
54 Engrossed
55 Air Transport Assoc.
56 Try to find

DOWN
1 Leak through
2 High: prefix
3 Repast
4 Cream or chocolate filled sweet?
5 Short for Gibraltar
6 Kilns or oasts
7 Of planes - as a prefix
8 Censures, charges or condemns
9 Cane spirit
10 Yoko ___ : wife of John Lennon, the Beatle?
11 Moistened
16 Grad. Rec. Exam.
18 Boss of a shield
21 Surreptitious call for another's attention
23 Rare precious stone
24 Alpine goat
25 Suffix denoting place or ownership ?
26 Pen brand
27 Afresh or again
28 Visage
30 To Be Determined
32 Gujarat's ___ of Kutch
35 "The awn" can be turned into something to wear (3,3)
37 Gets up and goes
39 Famous American General of the civil war
40 Puff up
42 Reliquary
44 Wicket-keeper Kiran ___
45 Ireland, once
46 Pierre is its cap. (1,3)
47 Eng. Press. Ratio
48 Irish Rep. Army
49 Apex or acme
50 Ribonucleic acid, acronym

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

W	I	L	D	■	L	A	U	D	■	S	U	E
A	G	I	O	■	O	T	H	O	■	M	M	X
S	O	N	U	■	S	O	F	T	S	O	A	P
P	R	O	B	L	E	M	■	T	A	U	■	■
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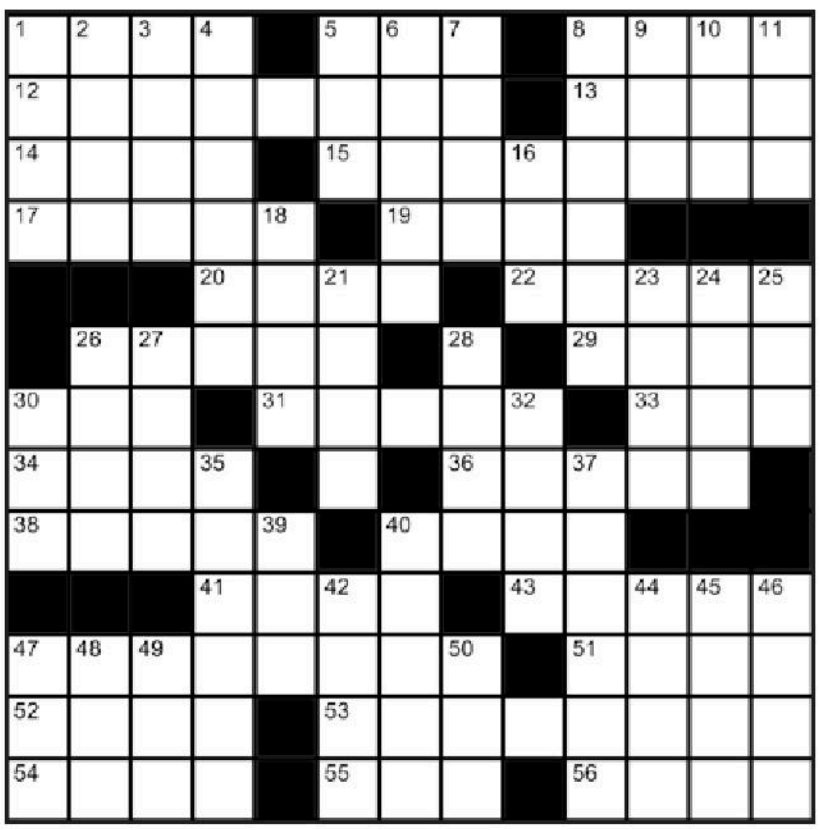

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

QRE JI SR KPCERTJQ EY VRYVQR MBY HCUR JI BCVVD: EBRD CPR

EBR ZBCPHLOK KCPWRORPI MBY HCUR YJP IYJQI SQYIIYH.

TODAY'S CLUE: V EQUALS P

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away.

K.L. Rahul scores an unbeaten 132 as KXIP hammer RCB by 97 runs

Dubai, Sept. 25- Skipper K.L. Rahul's batting masterclass was on full display as Kings XI Punjab (KXIP) beat Royal Challengers Bangalore (RCB) by 97 runs in the sixth match of the Dream11 Indian Premier League (IPL) 2020 in Dubai yesterday.

Put in to bat, KXIP were off to a brisk start. The openers — Mayank Agarwal and Rahul — played some delightful shots against the RCB pacers — Umesh Yadav, Dale Steyn and Navdeep Saini, helping their side to move past fifty in the final over of the powerplay.

However, Yuzvendra Chahal's introduction into the attack gave RCB their first breakthrough as the leg-spinner broke through Mayank's defence with a googly and hit the woodwork.

Nicholas Pooran joined Rahul in the middle and he and Rahul played out a couple of quiet overs before going after Umesh in the 10th over. The over yielded 20 runs, with Rahul hitting a four and a six off a free-hit delivery and Pooran hitting a four.

Rahul, then, brought up his fifty and KXIP crossed the 100-run mark in the 12th over, with nine wickets in hand. The 13th over of the game went for 14 runs.

Kings XI Punjab skipper K.L. Rahul celebrates his century against Royal Challengers Bangalore in their match in the Indian Premier League in Dubai on September 24, 2020.

Shivam Dube then struck twice in the space of his two overs. First, he broke the Pooran-Rahul stand, dismissing the left-hander, and in his next over - 16th of KXIP innings - he got Glenn Maxwell out.

Rahul got two reprieves in the space of two overs and he made RCB pay for those missed chances as KXIP scored 49 runs in the last two overs.

Rahul went after Dale Steyn in the penultimate over, slamming 26 runs, with the help of 3 sixes and 2 fours and in that course, brought up this IPL season's first hundred and his second IPL ton overall.

Dube, who had a good night with the ball till then, was handed the responsibility to ball the final over of the innings.

After Karun Nair scored seven runs of the first three deliveries, Rahul closed out the innings in style – hitting 4, 6, 6 as KXIP marched past 200, with their skipper slamming an unbeaten 132 off 69 balls, with the help of 7 sixes and 14 fours. The score which is now the highest for Indian batsman in the IPL.

KXIP came out all guns blazing as Sheldon Cottrell and Mohammad Shami picked up three wickets, including that of Kohli.

In the first over of the RCB's chase, Cottrell got Devdutt Padikkal out before Shami trapped Josh Philippe before the wickets. The West Indian pacer, then got the huge wicket of Kohli as Ravi Bishnoi held on to a catch at mid-on.

While there were some big hits from AB de Villiers as he and Aaron Finch put up a 49-run stand, the two perished in quick succession. First, young Bishnoi disturbed the timber to cut short Finch's stay in the middle, and then Murugan Ashwin got the wicket of de Villiers as Sarfaraz Khan held on to a catch in the deep.

Dube was the next man to get out before Bishnoi scalped his second wicket, dismissing Umesh, added one more to his account, dismissing Washington Sundar in his final over for 30.

Murugan Ashwin then picked up the last two wickets as KXIP bowled out RCB for 109 to seal a win.

BRIEF SCORES

Kings XI Punjab 206/3 (KL Rahul 132*, Mayank Agarwal 26; Yuzvendra Chahal 1/25) beat Royal Challengers Bangalore 109 all out (Washington Sundar 30, AB de Villiers 28, Murugan Ashwin 3/21) by 97 runs.

Today's Match (SEPT. 25)

CSK Vs **DC**

Dubai Intl. Cricket Stadium, Dubai, **7.30 pm (IST)**

Tomorrow's Match (SEPT. 26)

KKR Vs **SRH**

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Yesterday's Result

KXIP 206/3 (20 overs) beat **RCB 109/all out (17 overs)**

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Australian cricketer Dean Jones' *Mysurupak* connection

Mumbai/Mysuru, Sept.25 (SSV)- Dean Mervyn Jones, an Australian cricket commentator, coach and cricketer, who died after a cardiac arrest in Mumbai yesterday, had a connection with Mysuru too.

He had visited the city in 2017 to witness the Karnataka Premier League (KPL) cricket matches. At that time, he, along with *Star Sports* team, had visited the important tourist places.

During that time, he visited *Bombay Tiffany's Annexe*, a famous sweet mart on D. Devaraj Urs Road, and had savored a variety of traditional sweets including the *Mysurupak*. He was said to be bowled out for the taste of the signature *Mysurupak* sweet and got it packed to his friends and relatives.

Jones had also paid a visit to the famous eating joints like Mylari Hotel, Hanumanthu Mess and other hotels and sweet marts across the city.

"He (Jones) had loved the *Mysurupak* very much. He was astonished to learn the history of the sweet and visited our factory in Vishweshwaranagar to see its preparations. He also got packed the *Mysurupak* for his friends," Bombay Tiffany's Owner Anil Kumar and his son, Aneesh Gupta, told *SOM*.

Champion commentator

The 59-year-old Jones was in Mumbai as part of the Indian Premier League (IPL) broadcast set-up, and was learnt to be absolutely fine before he suffered a sudden collapse. His family, back in Australia, has been informed whereas *Star India* is now currently in touch with Australian High Commission to make necessary arrangements.

Dean Jones was one of the great ambassadors of the game associating himself with cricket development across South Asia. He was passionate about discovering new talents and nurturing young cricketers. He was a champion commentator whose presence and presentation of the game always brought joy to millions of fans.

Jones had played 52 international matches and scored 3,631 runs; 164 One-Day International matches and had scored 6,068 runs.

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